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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
MAMORU NAGAO, ET AL. : EXAMINER: YANG, JIE  
SERIAL NO: 10/528,263 :  
FILED: MARCH 17, 2005 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1793  
FOR: HOT-ROLLED WIRE ROD,  
EXCELLENT IN WIRE DRAWABILITY,  
ALLOWING HEAT TREATMENT PRIOR  
TO WIRE DRAWING TO BE OMITTED

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Support for the Amendments** begin in page 8 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.